



User Manual

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Countries Covered by the i-Map

Afghanistan	Finland	Libya	Russia
Albania	France	Liechtenstein	Senegal
Algeria	Georgia	Lithuania	Serbia
Armenia	Germany	Luxembourg	Slovakia
Austria	Ghana	FYROM	Slovenia
Azerbaijan	Greece	Mali	Spain
Bangladesh	Hungary	Malta	Sweden
Belarus	Iceland	Moldova	Switzerland
Belgium	Iran	Montenegro	Syria
Bulgaria	Iraq	Morocco	Tajikistan
Cape Verde	Ireland	Netherlands	Tunisia
Croatia	Italy	Niger	Turkey
Cyprus	Kazakhstan	Nigeria	Turkmenistan
Czech Republic	Kenya	Norway	Ukraine
Denmark	Kosovo*	Pakistan	United Kingdom
Egypt	Kyrgyzstan	Poland	Uzbekistan
Estonia	Latvia	Portugal	
Ethiopia	Lebanon	Romania	

Countries covered as of October 2012

*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.



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1.1 Background and Concept

The Interactive Map on Migration (i-Map), initially developed in 2006 in the context of the MTM Dialogue as a response to states' call for increased information sharing and exchange, is an information portal on migration ideally used as a support instrument in the framework of a regional migration dialogue.

It is an expandable platform serving a wide range of users, principally governments of participating states but also researchers as well as the civil society, as a source and exchange instrument for information on migration matters.

The i-Map concept is applicable to any geographic region. The methodology aims at fostering a routine of information collection, compilation and dissemination.

Albeit being a common platform, the outputs at the service of users on the i-Map may vary subject to the specificities of the various dialogues and their working modalities.

1 About the i-Map

Available information on the i-Map Platform

More than 30 migration profiles in several languages	Visual data on migration patterns including interactive features , maps and animations
Up-to-date news on migration	Easy access to other relevant sources and websites



1.2 Regions and Projects

MTM i-Map:

The MTMi-Map comprises two project components: one on irregular and mixed migration, and since 2010 another one on migration and development. Both components offer a variety of outputs at the service of government officials, catering to numerous target groups such as analysts, policy-makers, or researchers.



Countries to be Covered by the i-Map

Prague Process i-Map:

The established knowledge base of BMP/Prague Process is represented by a set of migration profiles and visualisations. An additional data comparison tool (Migration database) is under development.

Silk Route i-Map:

The Silk Route i-Map offers various outputs which aim at improving cooperation related to migration in the Budapest Process and Silk Routes regions, in particular with a view to ensure orderly migration, to protect the rights of migrants and to strengthen the links between migration and development.

Rabat Process i-Map:

It will cover the following additional countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mauritania, Sierra Leone and Togo.



2.1 Overview: What kind of information can I find on the i-Map?

A sound understanding of the migratory situation is considered a prerequisite for knowledge based policy-making as well as for programming of cooperation initiatives and projects. The i-Map seeks to support governments as well as other entities by providing a comprehensive, user friendly, and easily accessible online platform providing information on migration. The i-Map offers a variety of outputs at the service of government officials, catering to numerous target groups such as analysts, policy-makers, researchers, the civil society or the greater public and inter alia:

- In-depth information on management systems through migration profiles;
- Visualisations of data through maps, videos, animations and other interactive features;
- Up-to-date news on migration through the i-Map News Centre; and
- Portal for further reading through migration profiles and relevant compilations of documents and hyperlinks.

Languages:

The i-Map website is available in Arabic, English, and French, so as to foster a wide dissemination amongst target groups. It will soon also be available in Russian. Outputs are available in several languages according to their respective i-Map regions.

NB: Restricted access:

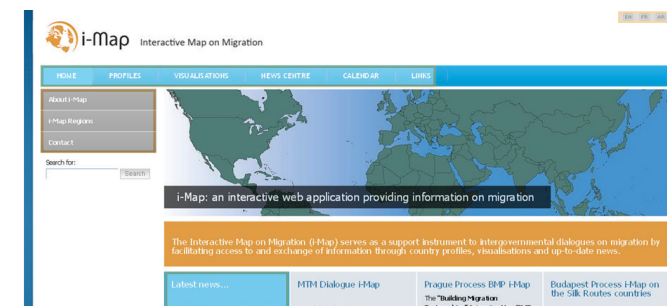
Most of the information presented on the i-Map platform is publicly accessible except the MTM i-Map profiles on irregular and mixed migration which are restricted as per decision of MTM Partner States.

To register, kindly contact the MTM Secretariat at mtm-i-map@icmpd.org.

2 How to use the i-Map

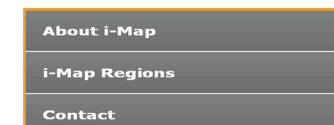
2.2 Getting started!

First of all, enter www.imap-migration.org in your browser address bar.



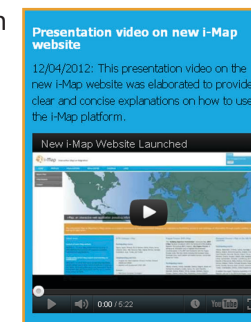
On the i-Map homepage you will be able to:

- Select your language;



- Learn more about the i-Map concept and the existing i-Map projects;

- Watch our i-Map Presentation video; and



Latest news...

MTM Map on Irregular and Mixed Migration Routes has been updated
15/06/2012 - the MTM Map on Irregular and Mixed Migration Routes has been updated. The 2012 Map is an output of the EC-funded MTM i-Map 2011-2014 project and is available in English, Arabic and French.

- Find out more about the latest i-Map updates.

From the homepage, you will have easy access to all the other i-Map online features through the main menu.





2.3 What kind of information can I find concerning a given country?

There are 2 kind of information you can find:

- Information on migration management systems, key figures and data in the i-Map migration profiles; and
- Up-to-date information on migratory developments through the News Centre.

2.3.1 Migration profiles: How can I access information on migration management systems, key figures and data?

Profiles on the i-Map website have a two-fold purpose:

- Providing an overview of migration management systems, key figures and data; and
- Acting as a portal through hyperlinks to innumerable further information sources.

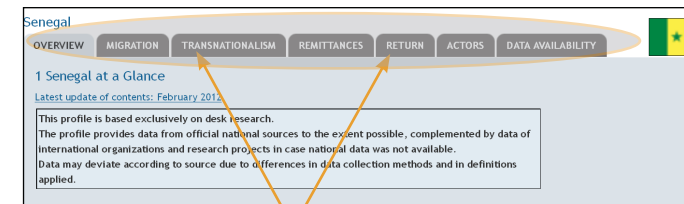
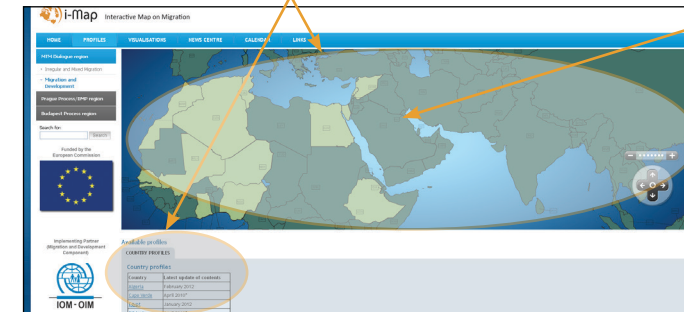
Step 1 – Access the profiles section of i-Map by clicking on the button **Profiles** in the main menu bar



Step 2 - Choose region

Step 3 - Where available choose the thematic focus (login and password required for the MTM i-Map profiles on irregular and mixed migration)

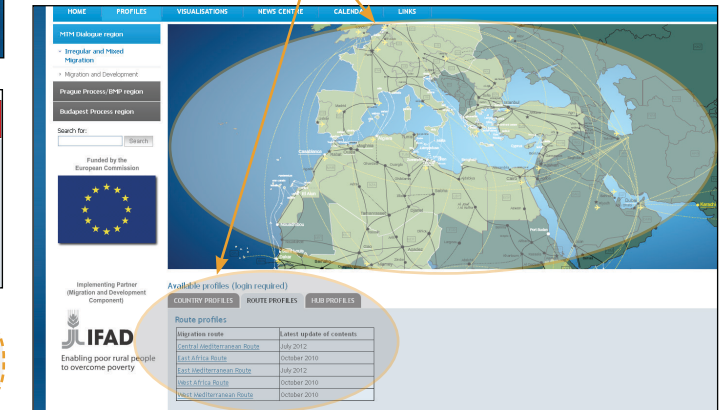
Step 4 - Click on a country on the map or on the table below the map. The selected profile will be displayed below the map



Step 5 - You can easily make your way through by navigating the tabs searching for broad or more specific information

Step 6 - To access another profile, click on the relevant country on the map or choose another region on the left hand side sub-menu

NB: You can also find information on regional and local patterns in the profile section by clicking on the respective route or hub on the map or on the table below it (route and hub profiles)



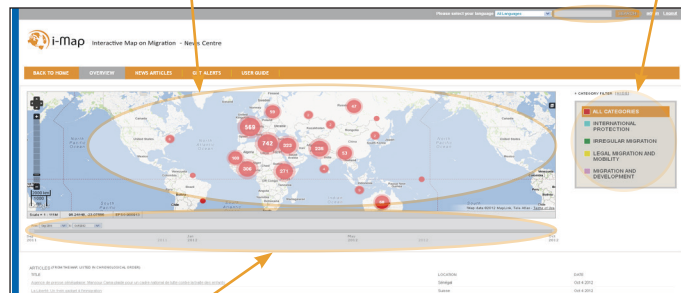


2.3.2 News Centre: How can I access up-to-date news on migration developments?

The i-Map News Centre provides the most up-to-date information and news on migration.

Step 1 – Click on the button **News Centre** in the main menu bar

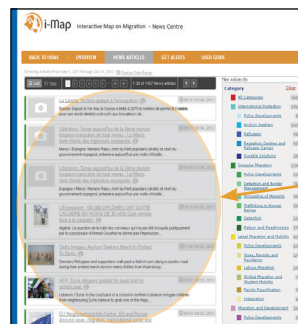
Step 2 - Browse articles according to geographic and thematic coverage by either zooming on the map and clicking on the dot representing your country of interest or/and by selecting your category of interest



Use the timeline below to narrow the articles to a certain range of time

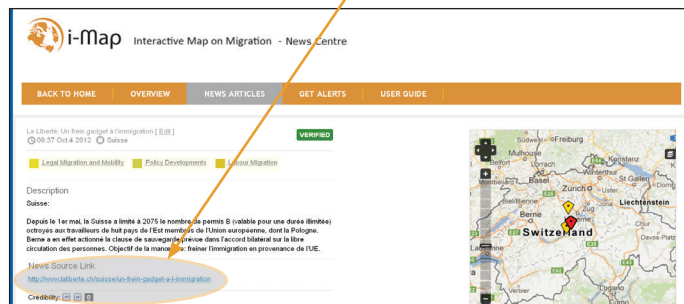
You can also enter the country name in the search box and directly access all articles relevant to your country of interest.

Note that the number displayed in the dot reflects the number of articles published in the selected location



Step 3 – After clicking on the dot, you will be directed to the News Articles section of the News Centre. Articles are displayed in chronological order. Click on your article of interest to access a descriptive summary of the article

Step 4 Click on the link below the summary to access the article



2.3.3 News Centre: How can I create automatic email alerts through the i-Map News Centre?

Step 1 – Click on **Get Alerts** in the main menu bar

Step 2 - Select preset geographic region(s) of interest OR place a dot on the map OR enter desired location in the find location text box

Step 3 (not applicable to preset regions) - Indicate the number of kilometers around the selected area to be considered when screening articles via the yellow circle (e.g. 5000 km)

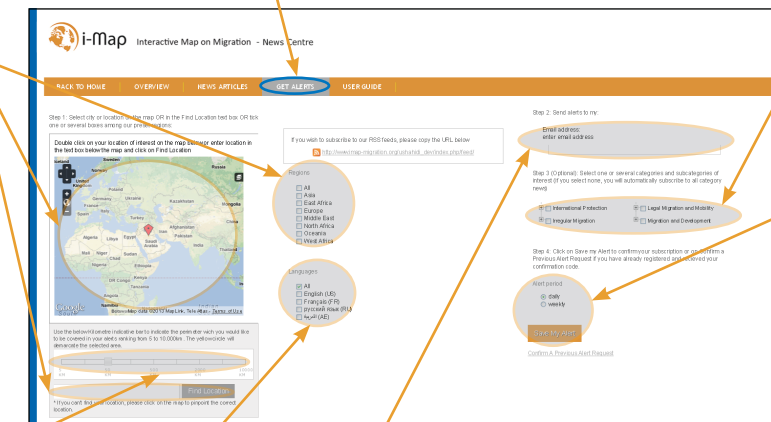
Step 4 - Select alert language(s)

Step 5 - Enter a valid email address

Step 6 - Tick the category/ies and subcategory/ies of interest to be included in the alerts

Step 7 - Choose between weekly or daily alert and click on **Save my Alert**

Step 8 – Check your email and click on confirm my alert request (if you cannot find it in your inbox, check your spam folder and firewall settings)



After registering, you will receive automatic news alerts every time a news article covering your geographic and thematic areas of interest is published. For more detailed information on how to use the i-Map News Centre, refer to the [i-Map News Centre User Guide](#).





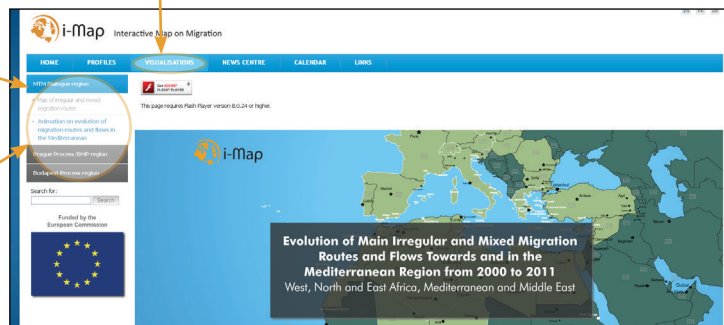
2.4 Visualisation: How can I access information about the migration situation in a given region?

Various i-Map visual support instruments, including **maps, animations and other visual features** have been developed to provide the user with a better overview of migration dynamics over time on a regional scale and enhance the overall understanding of global migration patterns.

Step 1 – Click on the button **Visualisations** in the main menu bar

Step 2 – Choose your region of interest

Step 3 – Choose your output



You can also easily find information on migration patterns at the regional and local levels in the **Profile** section (hubs and route profiles) and in the i-Map News Centre. Respectively follow the above mentioned steps.



Example of i-Map visualisation: 2012 MTM Map on Irregular and Mixed Migration Routes

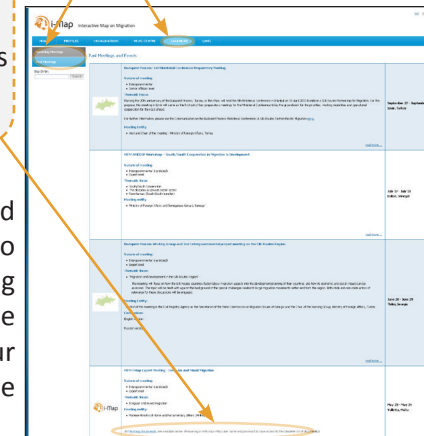
2.5 Calendar: How can I access information about i-Map meetings and other relevant events?

All i-Map and other relevant meetings are listed in the i-Map calendar. You will also be able to download available meeting documents from the **Calendar** section.

Step 1 – Click on the button **Calendar** in the main menu bar

Step 2 – Choose between upcoming or past events

Step 3 – If available, click on meeting documents to access a list of meeting documents which can be downloaded



NB: Restricted access may apply to a number of meeting documents. Please log in with your i-Map user name and password.



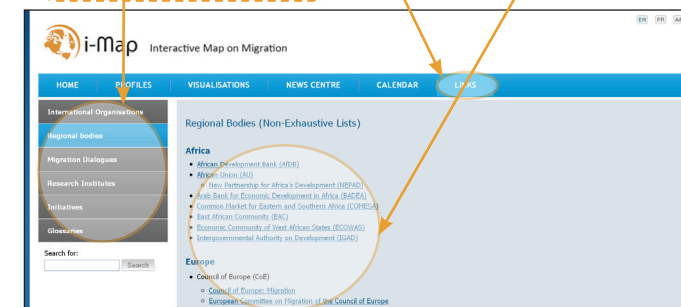
2.6 Links: How can I access further information through the i-Map platform?

The i-Map website was designed as a **portal for further reading on migration**. When consulting a profile, you can always click on documents' hyperlinks to get an in-depth insight into specific topics. Furthermore, the Links section offers you easy access to other relevant sources to deepen your knowledge on more specific topics or geographic regions.

Step 1 – Click on the button **Links** in the main menu bar

Step 2 – Navigate through the links using the left hand side submenu

Step 3 – Click on your link of interests





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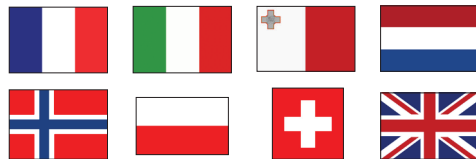
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